Alberta Population Report

June 23, 2004 — First Quarter, 2004

Population Estimates

Alberta's population growth continues to be the highest among the provinces. As of April 1, 2004, Alberta's population is estimated to be 3,183,312. This represents a yearly increase of approximately 41,200 persons (or 1.31% growth) since April 1, 2003. Ontario and British Columbia had the next largest growth rates among the provinces at 1.14% and 1.01% respectively.

The following table provides the April 1 population estimates and growth rates for Canada and Alberta since 1998.

TABLE 1: **NATIONAL AND PROVINCIAL POPULATION & GROWTH RATES, APRIL 1**

	Canada		Alberta	
April 1	Population	Growth Rate	Population	Growth Rate
1998	30,081,925		2,877,094	
1999	30,317,125	0.78%	2,937,912	2.11%
2000	30,597,172	0.92%	2,989,163	1.74%
2001	30,912,657	1.03%	3,041,661	1.76%
2002	31,256,399	1.11%	3,099,198	1.89%
2003	31,543,355	0.92%	3,142,136	1.39%
2004	31,825,416	0.89%	3,183,312	1.31%

Source: Statistics Canada

Population estimates for April 1, 2004 for all provinces and territories are shown in Table 2 below. The population growth rates for the twelve-month period ending April 1, 2004 are also included.

Migration

For the first quarter of 2004 (January 1 to March 31), Alberta had an estimated net interprovincial migration of 3,500 people. This is over 50% of the total 6,900 net migrants (interprovincial plus international) to Alberta. During the first quarter, Alberta had the highest interprovincial net migration in Canada. The origin and destination of interprovincial migrants are shown in Table 3 on the next page.

As shown in Table 3, the primary source of Alberta's interprovincial in-migrants for the first quarter was British Columbia, followed by Ontario and Saskatchewan. These three provinces were also the three main destinations of out-migrants from Alberta.

Natural Increase

Alberta gained 4,300 people in natural increase (births minus deaths) in the first quarter. The province had 9,400 births and 5,100 deaths from January 1 to March 31, 2004.

More details of the demographic data are available from Alberta Finance, Statistics.

TABLE 2: **POPULATION OF PROVINCES/TERRITORIES, APRIL 1, 2004 & YEARLY GROWTH RATES SINCE APRIL 1, 2003**

	NFLD.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	ALTA.	B.C.	YUKON	N.W.T.	NVT.
Population	518,955	138,365	936,510	750,540	7,520,938	12,332,593	1,168,349	995,058	3,183,312	4,177,443	31,512	42,274	29,567
Growth Rate	0.09%	0.61%	0.12%	0.01%	0.64%	1.14%	0.73%	0.03%	1.31%	1.01%	2.28%	1.33%	1.13%

Source: Statistics Canada

TABLE 3: ORIGIN & DESTINATION OF INTERPROVINCIAL MIGRANTS, JANUARY 1 TO MARCH 31, 2004

Origin	Destination												
	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	AB.	B.C.	Yukon	NWT	NVT.
Nfld and Lab.	0	82	538	149	21	1,369	72	53	923	145	0	90	34
Prince Edward I.	10	0	110	50	13	222	0	10	127	41	0	0	20
Nova Scotia	447	120	0	667	84	1,363	68	68	720	386	6	36	8
New Brunswick	164	146	462	0	432	803	54	15	438	182	0	71	10
Quebec	46	107	122	367	0	4,194	76	84	555	455	34	6	14
Ontario	1,066	262	1,328	1,137	3,719	0	1,314	341	3,587	3,537	35	82	30
Manitoba	15	0	65	87	128	1,216	0	695	931	802	0	25	26
Saskatchewan	27	7	40	10	110	458	563	0	2,995	662	10	80	0
Alberta	664	27	439	456	452	2,502	1,098	2,288	0	5,025	85	239	31
British Columbia	201	41	256	155	495	2,936	799	714	5,955	0	181	37	34
Yukon Territory	0	0	0	0	32	80	20	32	107	150	0	0	0
Northwest Terr.	7	0	0	0	48	71	43	24	455	157	76	0	63
Nunavut Terr.	20	0	10	0	6	125	55	11	41	12	0	73	0

	Nfld.	P.E.I.	N.S.	N.B.	QUE.	ONT.	MAN.	SASK.	AB.	B.C.	Yukon	NWT	NVT.
In Migration	2,667	792	3,370	3,078	5,540	15,339	4,162	4,335	16,834	11,554	427	739	270
Out Migration	3,476	603	3,973	2,777	6,060	16,438	3,990	4,962	13,306	11,804	421	944	353
Net Migration	809	189	603	301	520	1,099	172	627	3,528	250	6	205	83

Source: Statistics Canada

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Alberta Migration by Quarter

	Interprovincial			International						Total
	Out-Migration	In-Migration	*Net Interprovincial*	Immigration	Emigration	Non-Permanent Residents	Temporarily Abroad	Returning Emigrants	*Net International*	*Total Net Migration*
1998										
Jan - Mar	9,065	20,591	**11,526**	2,657	1,128	216	610	509	**1,644**	**13,170**
Apr - Jun	12,860	27,149	**14,289**	2,938	1,466	307	682	923	**2,020**	**16,309**
July - Sept	13,828	23,051	**9,223**	3,039	2,296	876	972	958	**1,605**	**10,828**
Oct - Dec	8,408	13,495	**5,087**	2,564	1,196	-477	682	382	**591**	**5,678**
Total	*44,161*	*84,286*	***40,125***	*11,198*	*6,086*	*922*	*2,946*	*2,772*	***5,860***	***45,985***
1999										
Jan - Mar	10,103	14,693	**4,590**	2,614	853	460	592	476	**2,105**	**6,695**
Apr - Jun	13,402	19,693	**6,291**	3,026	1,218	1,186	688	854	**3,160**	**9,451**
July - Sept	15,993	21,712	**5,719**	3,639	2,145	799	941	1,070	**2,422**	**8,141**
Oct - Dec	8,770	11,862	**3,092**	2,810	1,234	-962	697	497	**414**	**3,506**
Total	*48,268*	*67,960*	***19,692***	*12,089*	*5,450*	*1,483*	*2,918*	*2,897*	***8,101***	***27,793***
2000										
Jan - Mar	10,313	17,065	**6,752**	2,864	894	713	606	437	**2,514**	**9,266**
Apr - Jun	12,971	20,082	**7,111**	3,552	1,211	561	690	806	**3,018**	**10,129**
July - Sept	15,768	20,600	**4,832**	4,171	2,638	1,353	967	1,007	**2,926**	**7,758**
Oct - Dec	8,330	14,032	**5,702**	3,762	1,455	-856	698	404	**1,157**	**6,859**
Total	*47,382*	*71,779*	***24,397***	*14,349*	*6,198*	*1,771*	*2,961*	*2,654*	***9,615***	***34,012***
2001										
Jan - Mar	8,471	12,964	**4,493**	3,831	1,031	1,048	601	405	**3,652**	**8,145**
Apr - Jun	11,103	16,533	**5,430**	4,436	1,311	889	665	782	**4,131**	**9,561**
July - Sept	16,805	25,737	**8,932**	4,578	2,647	1,484	972	1,004	**3,447**	**12,379**
Oct - Dec	9,502	15,261	**5,759**	3,548	1,454	-824	698	404	**976**	**6,735**
Total	*45,881*	*70,495*	***24,614***	*16,393*	*6,443*	*2,597*	*2,936*	*2,595*	***12,206***	***36,820***
2002										
Jan - Mar	10,241	16,033	**5,792**	3,919	1,017	410	598	405	**3,119**	**8,911**
Apr - Jun	12,832	18,584	**5,752**	4,599	1,301	522	664	782	**3,938**	**9,690**
July - Sept	20,635	24,781	**4,146**	3,086	2,663	1,159	972	1,004	**1,614**	**5,760**
Oct - Dec	11,207	13,476	**2,269**	3,118	1,461	-909	698	404	**454**	**2,723**
Total	*54,915*	*72,874*	***17,959***	*14,722*	*6,442*	*1,182*	*2,932*	*2,595*	***9,125***	***27,084***
2003										
Jan - Mar	13,011	15,631	**2,620**	3,098	1,019	614	598	405	**2,500**	**5,120**
Apr - Jun	14,984	18,030	**3,046**	4,269	1,309	175	664	782	**3,253**	**6,299**
July - Sept	18,948	22,070	**3,122**	4,545	2,682	355	972	1,004	**2,250**	**5,372**
Oct - Dec	11,168	12,969	**1,801**	3,873	1,467	-258	698	404	**1,854**	**3,655**
Total	*58,111*	*68,700*	***10,589***	*15,785*	*6,477*	*886*	*2,932*	*2,595*	***9,857***	***20,446***
2004										
Jan - Mar	13,306	16,834	**3,528**	3,998	1,019	633	598	405	**3,419**	**6,947**
Apr - Jun	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
July - Sept	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Oct - Dec	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total	*13,306*	*16,834*	***3,528***	*3,998*	*1,019*	*633*	*598*	*405*	***3,419***	***6,947***

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